BACKGROUND NOTE

UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS

January 1993

Number of United Nations peace-keeping operations, 1948 to 1993: 27

UNTSO, UNMOGIP, UNEF I, UNOGIL, ONUC, UNSF, UNYOM, UNFICYP, DOMREP, UNIPOM, UNEF II, UNDOF, UNIFIL, UNGOMAP, UNIIMOG, UNAVEM I, UNTAG, ONUCA, UNIKOM, UNAVEM II, ONUSAL, MINURSO, UNAMIC, UNPROFOR, UNTAC, UNOSOM, ONUMOZ

Military personnel served 1948 to January 1993: over 600,000

Total fatalities (1948 to January 1993): 859

Missions currently under way: 13

Military and civilian police personnel serving in January 1993: over 52,200

UNTSO (248); UNMOGIP (38); UNFICYP (1,539); UNDOF (1,119); UNIFIL (5,251); UNIKOM (343); UNAVEM II (224); ONUSAL (425); MINURSO (329); UNPROFOR (22,639); UNTAC (19,253); UNOSOM (696); ONUMOZ (23)

Countries currently contributing military/civilian police personnel: 67

Total cost to the United Nations of 27 operations (1948 to 1992): about $8.3 billion
Rough annualized cost to the United Nations of current missions: about $2.8 billion
Outstanding contributions to peace-keeping operations: about $1.1 billion

UNITED NATIONS

CURRENT PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS

1. UNTSO UN Truce Supervision Organization June 1948 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $31 million Current strength: 248 Fatalities: 28
2. UNMOGIP UN Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan January 1949 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $7 million Current strength: 38 Fatalities: 6
3. UNFICYP UN Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus March 1964 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $19 million Current strength: 1,539 Fatalities: 159
4. UNDOF UN Disengagement Observer Force June 1974 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $36 million Current strength: 1,119 Fatalities: 31
5. UNIFIL UN Interim Force in Lebanon March 1978 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $146 million Current strength: 5,251 Fatalities: 190
6. UNIKOM UN Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission April 1991 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $40 million Authorized strength: 3,645 Current strength: 343 Fatalities: 1
7. UNAVEM II UN Angola Verification Mission June 1991 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $39 million Current strength: 224 Fatalities: 1
8. ONUSAL UN Observer Mission in El Salvador July 1991 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $39 million Current strength: 425 Fatalities: 1
9. MINURSO * UN Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara Operational: September 1991 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $29 million Authorized strength: 1,603 Current strength: 329 Fatalities: 2
10. UNPROFOR UN Protection Force March 1992 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $602 million Current strength: 22,639 Fatalities: 29
11. UNTAC UN Transitional Authority in Cambodia March 1992 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $1,411 million Current strength: 19,253 Fatalities: 27
12. UNOSOM UN Operation in Somalia April 1992 - To present	Rough annual cost to the United Nations: $110 million Current strength: 696
13. ONUMOZ * UN Operation in Mozambique December 1992 - To present	Estimated cost for eight and a half months: $146 million Authorized strength: 7,000-8,000 Current strength: 23

* *Not yet fully operational*

NOTE: Of thirteen current United Nations peace-keeping operations, two are funded from the UN regular budget (UNTSO and UNMOGIP), one is funded through voluntary contributions (UNFICYP) and ten are financed from their own separate accounts on the basis of legally binding assessments on all Member States. Since the mandates of most forces are renewed periodically starting from different dates, annual cost estimates for comparative purposes are approximate. The figures provided for operational strength, some of which include both military and civilian personnel, vary slightly from month to month due to rotation.

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